

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Evidence-Based Practice Initiative Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders

TAKE NOTICE that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

Program Name: Evidence-Based Practice Initiative Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders

Purpose: This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for the development of an Evidence-Based Practice Initiative (EBPI). This RFP is funded through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response to Grants ("SOR"). The SOR grant period is September 30, 2018 to September 29, 2020. The contract awarded as a result of this RFP is for one-time funding from award through September 29, 2020. Total funding for this RFP is \$1,500,000 subject to federal appropriations. Through this initiative, the successful bidder will provide training and implementation of Evidence-Based Practices. DMHAS anticipates making one (1) award.

Through the EBPI funding, the successful bidder will provide training, coaching, rating-based feedback and other educational and supervisory interventions to assist agencies in delivering evidence-based practice (EBP) modalities for treating individuals with opioid and other substance use disorders (SUD). The purpose is to initiate or enhance clinical staff skills and agency delivery of EBPs. EBPs have become central to the provision of healthcare, as EBPs help prevent the recurrence of substance use and promote sustained recovery. The goal of this project is to enhance the delivery of therapeutic services and ensure meaningful outcomes. Specifically, the project will assist substance use and co-occurring treatment providers by utilizing EBPs modalities within the DMHAS healthcare delivery system. Using this initiative, clinicians will practice acceptable levels of fidelity and skill through intensive assessment, trainings and workshops followed by supervised practice and feedback. The overall goal of the initiative is to provide enhanced and innovative services that sustain the client's recovery through use of EBPs.

The successful bidder will partner with provider agencies and will be responsible for ensuring that the delivery of services is responsive to the client's needs and improves outcomes. The EBPI will offer provider agencies an opportunity to enhance service

modalities and offer clinicians the knowledge, understanding, initial application and mastery needed to provide competent practice.

Available Funding Amount: Total funding for this RFP is \$1,500,000 subject to federal appropriations.

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications: To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder may be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debsearch.shtml> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors as an employee or in a consultant capacity; and
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies.

Proposal Procedure: Effective April 16, 2019, the Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at <https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/>. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

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Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on May 14, 2019.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before June 14, 2019.


Carole Johnson, Commissioner

4/12/19
Date